

**WHAT IS CLAIMED:**

1           1. A telematics radio for providing driving  
2 directions to an operator of a vehicle, the telematics  
3 radio comprising:

4           a receiver operable for receiving a position  
5 signal indicative of the current location of the vehicle;  
6           memory operable for storing the location of at  
7 least one pre-selected destination;

8           a processor operable for determining driving  
9 directions from the current location of the vehicle to  
10 each pre-selected destination based on the position signal  
11 and map information; and

12           an interface operable for receiving a request  
13 from the operator for the driving directions to a desired  
14 pre-selected destination, the interface further operable  
15 for providing the operator with the driving directions to  
16 the desired pre-selected destination.

1           2. The telematics radio of claim 1 wherein:  
2           the interface is further operable to be disabled  
3 from providing driving directions in response to receiving  
4 an interface deactivation signal.

1           3. The telematics radio of claim 1 wherein:  
2           the interface includes at least one button,  
3 wherein the interface is operable with the memory for  
4 associating each of the at least one pre-selected  
5 destination with a respective button.

1           4. The telematics radio of claim 3 wherein:  
2           the interface is operable for receiving a  
3 request from the operator for the driving directions to a  
4 desired pre-selected destination in response to the

5 operator pressing the respective button associated with  
6 the desired pre-selected destination.

1 5. The telematics radio of claim 4 wherein:  
2 the interface is further operable to be disabled  
3 from providing driving directions to a desired pre-  
4 selected destination when the operator presses the  
5 respective button associated with the desired pre-selected  
6 destination in response to receiving the interface  
7 deactivation signal.

1 6. The telematics radio of claim 3 wherein:  
2 the at least one button includes a HOME button,  
3 wherein the interface is operable with the memory for  
4 associating the HOME button with a home address of the  
5 operator.

1 7. The telematics radio of claim 6 wherein:  
2 the interface is further operable to be disabled  
3 from providing driving directions to the home address of  
4 the operator when the operator presses the HOME button in  
5 response to receiving the interface deactivation signal.

1 8. The telematics radio of claim 2 wherein:  
2 the interface is further operable to be disabled  
3 from providing driving directions in response to receiving  
4 an interface deactivation signal from the receiver.

1 9. The telematics radio of claim 8 wherein:  
2 the receiver is operable for wirelessly  
3 receiving the interface deactivation signal from a service  
4 provider.

1           10.    The telematics radio of claim 8 wherein:  
2           the receiver is operable for wirelessly  
3   receiving the interface deactivation signal directly from  
4   an owner of the vehicle.

1           11.    The telematics radio of claim 2 wherein:  
2           the interface is operable for receiving the  
3   interface deactivation signal in response to a vehicle  
4   anti-theft mechanism being triggered.

1           12.    The telematics radio of claim 2 wherein:  
2           the interface is operable for receiving the  
3   interface deactivation signal in response to an anti-theft  
4   mechanism of the telematics radio being triggered.

1           13.    A method for providing driving directions  
2   to an operator of a vehicle, the method comprising:  
3           storing the location of at least one pre-  
4   selected destination;  
5           receiving a request from the operator for the  
6   driving directions to a desired pre-selected destination;  
7           receiving a position signal indicative of the  
8   current location of the vehicle;  
9           determining driving directions from the current  
10   location of the vehicle to the desired pre-selected  
11   destination based on the position signal and map  
12   information; and  
13           providing the operator with the driving  
14   directions to the desired pre-selected destination.

1           14. The method of claim 13 further comprising:  
2           disabling the step of providing the operator  
3 with the driving directions in response to a deactivation  
4 signal being received.

1           15. The method of claim 13 wherein:  
2           storing the location of at least one pre-  
3 selected destination includes associating a respective  
4 button with each of the at least one pre-selected  
5 destination.

1           16. The method of claim 15 wherein:  
2           receiving a request includes pressing the  
3 respective button associated with the desired pre-selected  
4 destination.

1           17. The method of claim 15 wherein:  
2           storing the location of at least one pre-  
3 selected destination includes associating a HOME button  
4 with a home address of the operator.

1           18. The method of claim 14 wherein:  
2           disabling includes disabling the step of  
3 providing the operator with the driving directions in  
4 response to a deactivation signal being wirelessly  
5 received from a service provider.

1           19. The method of claim 14 wherein:  
2           disabling includes disabling the step of  
3 providing the operator with the driving directions in  
4 response to a deactivation signal being wirelessly  
5 received from an owner of the vehicle.

1                   20.    The method of claim 14 wherein:  
2                   disabling includes disabling the step of  
3    providing the operator with the driving directions in  
4    response to a deactivation signal generated in response to  
5    a vehicle anti-theft mechanism being triggered.